

REMARKS

Currently claims 1, 3-12 and 14-24 are pending in the above-identified application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 12 and 23 have been amended. No claims have been cancelled and no new claims have been added. Pursuant to the above amendments and following remarks, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider his basis for rejecting the pending claims.

I. Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 102 and § 103

The Examiner rejects claims 1, 3, 8, 10-12, 14, 19 and 21-24 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by Trolltech AS, which is “Qt/Embedded-a Technical Overview”, 2001, Trolltech; and rejects claims 4-7, 9, 15-18 and 20 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Trolltech AS, in view of Python, “Python library reference”, October 2000, Be Open.com pythonlabs. These rejections are respectfully traversed..

With regards to independent claim 1, for example, Applicants respectfully assert that as amended, independent claim 1 is not anticipated by Trolltech.

That is to say that Trolltech fails to clearly teach each and every element found in at least independent claim 1. Specifically, Applicants respectfully assert that Trolltech fails to at least teach the feature where a user may selectively choose a particular translation table for modifying a particular application. That is to say that the user may select a specific translation table to replace the core translation table of a particular system.

As far as Trolltech is understood, it appears that Trolltech does not offer such high level application specific modification, in fact, an examination of Trolltech, on page 10 of 31, under the “localization” section describes a specific tool, findtr() which searches the application source code for strings that need translation, and produces a formatted text file with empty areas for the application translator to simply fill in the required translations. It appears that this particular feature at least operates at a source code level, which may be particular to an operating system of a particular computing platform. The flexibility of the instant application, which allows a particular user to take a more active role in the particular translation sources is not found within Trolltech. Accordingly, for at least this reason, Trolltech cannot be used to anticipate

independent claim 1, and for similar reason, cannot be used to anticipate the system claim 12 or the system claim 23.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully assert that independent claims 1, 12 and 23 are patentably distinct at least as amended, over Trolltech under § 102(b).

In addition, since claims 3, 8, 10-11, 14, 19, 21-22 and 24 all depend from one of the independent claims, those dependent claims are also found to be patentably distinct for at least the reason that they depend directly or indirectly therefrom a distinctive independent claim.

In addition, the dependent claims are also found to be distinguishable over the assertions made above, for the additional features found therein. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully the withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1, 3, 8, 10-12, 14, 19 and 21-24 under § 102(b) to Trolltech.

With regards to the application of Trolltech in combination with Python under § 103, Applicants further assert that for the basis by which Trolltech fails to anticipate the instant claimed invention as asserted above, the combination of Trolltech in view of Python also suffers from at least the same deficiencies that Trolltech does individually under § 102.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully assert that Trolltech in combination with Python, fails to correct the deficiencies set forth above with regards to Trolltech under § 102, and accordingly, the combination of Trolltech in view Python fails to meet the Examiner's burden under a *prima facie* rejection under § 103. Therefore, for at least the same basis as asserted above with regards to § 102, claims 4-7, 9, 15-18 and 20 are patentably distinct under the asserted combination of Trolltech in view of Python under § 103. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request the withdrawal of the rejection of claims 4-7, 9, 15-18 and 20 under § 103 over Trolltech and Python.

II. Conclusion

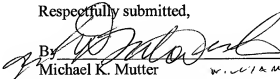
In view of the above amendment, Applicants believe the pending application is in condition for allowance.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact William D. Titcomb Reg. No. 46,463 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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